

REMARKS

Claims 3-6 and 8-19 appear in this application for the Examiner's review and consideration. The Examiner has acknowledged that claim 17 is allowable and that claim 15 is directed to allowable subject matter. Applicant has elected not to rewrite claim 15 into independent form at this time, as Applicant believes that the remainder of the claims are now in condition for allowance.

Rejection Under Obviousness-Type Double Patenting

Claims 3-6, 8-14, 16, 18 and 19 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-13 of U.S. Pat. No. 6,932,720. A Terminal Disclaimer is submitted herewith and reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested. Claims 3-6, 8-14, 16, 18 and 19 should now be in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

Based on the remarks set forth above, Applicant believes that all of the rejections have been overcome and the claims of the subject application are in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any further concerns or believe that a discussion with the Applicant's attorney would further the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the attorney at the number below.

No fee is believed to be due for this submission. However, should any required fees be due, please charge them to Acushnet Company Deposit Account No. 502309.

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